

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-2, 4-6, 8, 9-17, 18-20, and 28 are pending, with Claims 1, 2, 4-6, 9-12, and 18-20 amended by the present amendment.

In the Official Action, Claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. No other status of claims was provided. In the Official Action of June 6, 2007, previously pending Claims 7-9 and 13-18 and 20 were indicated as containing allowable subject matter. In Applicants' response of June 25, 2007, Claim 1 was amended to recite the allowable features of Claim 7 and intervening Claim 3.

Claim 1 is amended in response to the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claims 2, 4-6, 9-12 and 18-20 are amended with varying language and/or punctuation. No new matter is added.

Accordingly, in view of the present amendment and in light of the previous discussion, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and respectfully request an early and favorable action to that effect.

Respectfully submitted,

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